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Dear Colonel Marshall:

Thank you for your letter. Please find enclosed my check in the amount of \$28.54 for my share of the sword and mess bill. If I have miscalculated this, please do not hesitate to let me know. It was an absolutely tremendous evening and thoroughly enjoyed by all the participants. The idea of giving Fritz a Crusader's sword was, I believe, yours. It was really a stroke of genius and you are much to be congratulated.

With every good wish and many thanks.

Faithfully,

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